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Mr. Ralph Preston
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ralph:

Attached is a statement per our conversation of yesterday. A similar statement was given to Guy McConnell on the 29th of November and at that time I thought I understood Guy to say he would take care of the matter in the Senate Report. Unfortunately, somehow it fell through the crack and I understand the Senate Report has been issued accepting the House cut but without the change in the location of the cut as requested on the bottom of the sheet attached.

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| points out to me that he has some carry-ove | · • | | |
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| funds in 1973 and can do without the | | NRO | 25X1 |
| But he says that a cut of | | NRO | 25X1 |
| would directly impact on We | | NRO | 25X1 |
| hope that you will be able to somehow get this adjusted for us in the final bill. My impression is that Senator McClellan and Guy McChave no problem with the suggestion that the amount of specified in the bill as outlined in the attached. | onnell | | 25X1 |

Sincerely,

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NRO review(s) completed.

Principal Deputy for Program Development and Operations, IC Staff

Attachments: as stated

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| 25X1 NRO | The House proposed a reduction to the Air Force |
| STATINTL | request of Of the total Air Force request, in excess |
| STATINTL | of is either for direct funding of NRP projects or Air |
| | Force projects which are an integral part of the reconnaissance |
| | effort. While the reduction has not been allocated to specific |
| | programs at this time, if allowed to stand, it will necessarily |
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| STATINTL | have significant impact on the NRP. |
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| | Given carry-overs from FY 1973 the NRP can accept a |
| 25X1 NRO | reduction ofbut we request that it be assigned to the |
| | following areas: |
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| | The report recommends deletion of | requested to | NRO 2 | 25X |
| 25X1 NRO | buy for the Air Force | | NRO 2 | 25X |
| 25X1D 25X1D | System. | | | |
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| 5X1 NRO | ment has decreased from | in FY 74 due to better | | |
| | cost now being available as a result of defin | nitive contract | | |
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